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SUBJECT: EARLY REACTION TO KILLINGS OF POLICEMEN

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1. EARLY REACTION IN POLITICAL CIRCLES AND THE PRESS
TO THE KILLINGS OF POLICEMEN JANUARY 28 SHOWED A CONTINUATION
OF THE SUBSTANTIAL CONSENSUS THAT DEVELOPED EARLY IN THE
CURRENT VIOLENCE, WITH CONDEMNATIONS OF VIOLENCE, DENUNCIATIONS
OF THE APPARENT EFFORT TO BLOCK SPAIN'S DEMOCRATIC
EVOLUTION, AND CALLS FOR CALM, FIRMNESS, AND JUSTICE THE
VIRTUALLY UNANIMOUS WATCHWORD. SOME NUANCES WERE DISCERNI-
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BLE, WITH AN ALIANZA POPULAR FIGURE TELLING US PRIVATELY
THAT THE GOVT NEEDED TO IMPOSE ITS AUTHORITY IN ORDER TO
CONTINUE THE MARCH TO DEMOCRACY, WHILE PRIVATE CONVERSA-
TIONS WITH OTHERS (PARTIDO POPULAR, IZQUIERDA DEMOCRATICA,
AND THE UGT) COUPLED THE ACKNOWLEDGED NEED FOR THE GOVT
TO DO SOMETHING WITH THE VIEW THAT IT SHOULD NOT OVERREACT.
THE REFLEXIVE RIGHT, OF COURSE, HAS TAKEN THE CRISIS AS

PROOF THAT POLITICAL REFORM MUST BE SLOWED.

2. THE TWO AFTERNOON NEWSPAPERS TOOK SIMILAR LINES IN URGING THAT WHAT ONE CALLED A "STRATEGY OF TERROR" NOT BE PERMITTED TO ACHIEVE ITS PURPOSES. DIARIO 16 CALLED THE MURDERS ATTACKS ON THE SPANISH PEOPLE AND SAID ALL MUST STAND TOGETHER AGAINST THEM. INFORMACIONES CALLED IT "ESSENTIAL" THAT ALL POLITICAL PARTIES PARTICIPATE IN THE FUNERALS OF THE SLAIN POLICEMEN, IN A DISPLAY OF EVEN-HANDEDNESS, SOLIDARITY, AND SUPPORT. STABLER

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